

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claims 1 – 25 (Canceled)

Claim 26 (Currently Amended) A pharmaceutical composition comprising a ~~peptide~~ polypeptide according to ~~one of claims 1 to 20~~ claim 28, in combination with a pharmaceutically acceptable vehicle.

Claim 27 (Canceled)

Claim 28 (Currently Amended) An isolated polypeptide consisting of the sequence A ~~peptide, characterized in that it is selected from the group consisting of one of the following~~ sequences:

SEQ ID No: 38;

SEQ ID No: 40; and

SEQ ID No: 41.

Claim 29 (Canceled)

Claim 30 (Withdrawn; Currently Amended) A method for treating a viral or parasitic ~~infection in a subject in need thereof comprising administering an effective amount of the Use of a~~ peptide or polypeptide as defined in any one of claims 1 to 20, claim 28 to said subject or 29, in ~~preparing a drug for treating a viral or parasitic infection.~~

Claim 31 (Withdrawn; Currently Amended) A method for inhibiting HIV infection in a subject in need thereof comprising administering an effective amount of the Use of a peptide or polypeptide as defined in any one of claims 5 to 10, claim 28 to said subject or 29, in preparing a drug that can inhibit infection by HIV.

Claim 32 (Withdrawn; Currently Amended) A method for inducing apoptosis in tumor cells in a subject in need thereof comprising administering an effective amount of the Use of a peptide or polypeptide as defined in any one of claims 5 to 10, claim 28 to said subject or 29, in preparing a drug that may induce apoptosis of target cells, and in particular tumor cells.

Claims 33 – 39 (Canceled)

Claim 40 (Withdrawn; Currently Amended) A method for preparing a ~~peptide~~ polypeptide as defined in ~~any one of claims 1 to 20, claim 28 or 29,~~ comprising transforming a host cell using a cellular expression vector ~~as defined in claim 24~~ comprising a polynucleotide encoding said polypeptide, followed by culturing the transformed host cell and recovering the ~~peptide~~ polypeptide in the culture medium.

Claim 41 (New) The polypeptide of claim 28, wherein said polypeptide has the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 38.

Claim 42 (New) The polypeptide of claim 28, wherein said polypeptide has the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 40.

Claim 43 (New) The polypeptide of claim 28, wherein said polypeptide has the sequence of
SEQ ID NO: 41.